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Your most faithful Servant,

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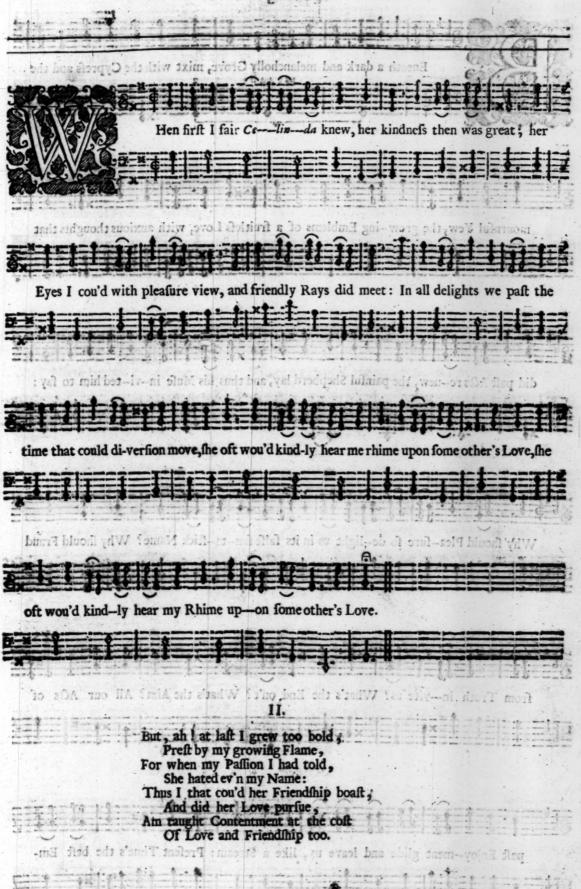
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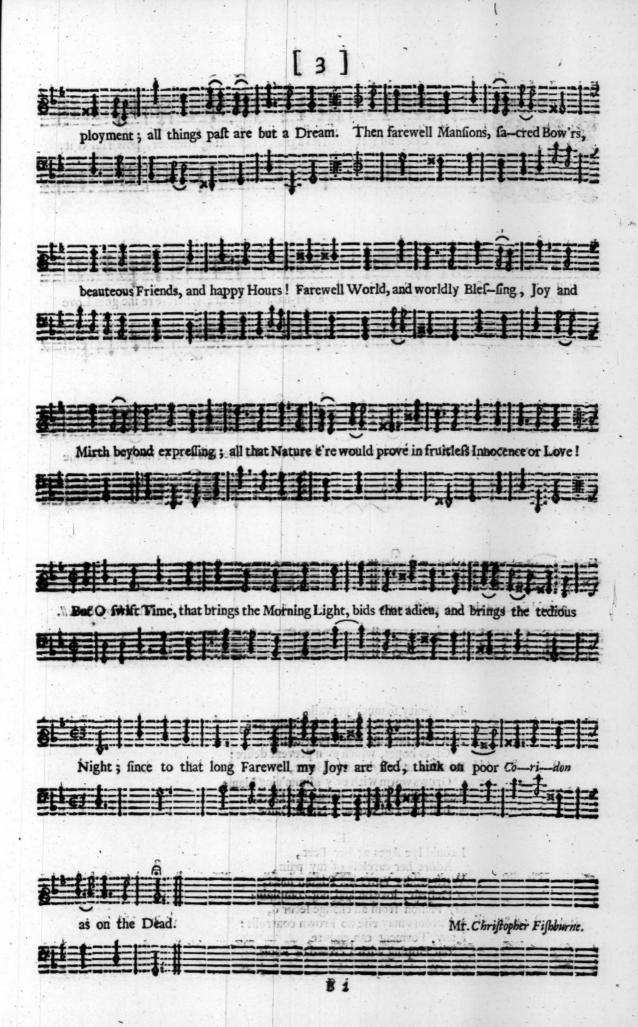
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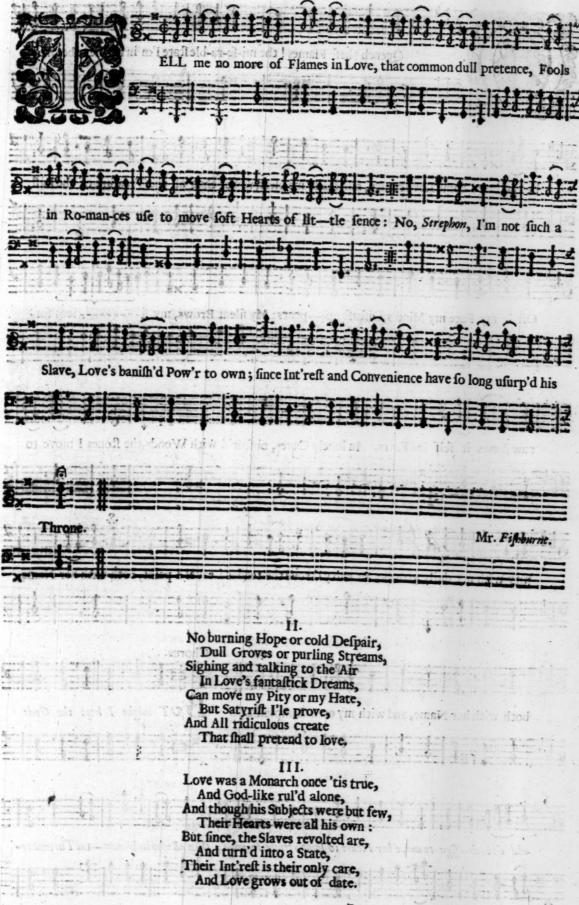




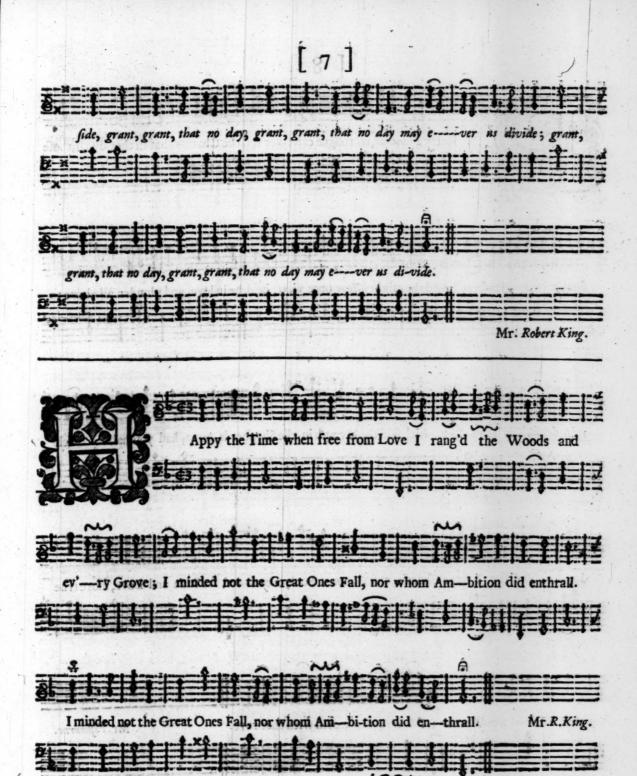












My only Care was how to keep
From cruel Wolves my harmless Sheep:
But though from Wolves my Sheep I kept;
None could my Heart from Love protest.
But though, &c.

There is not one upon these Plains
That loves like me of all the Swains:
But I have learn'd now to my cost,
That who loves best must suffer most.
But I have, &c.

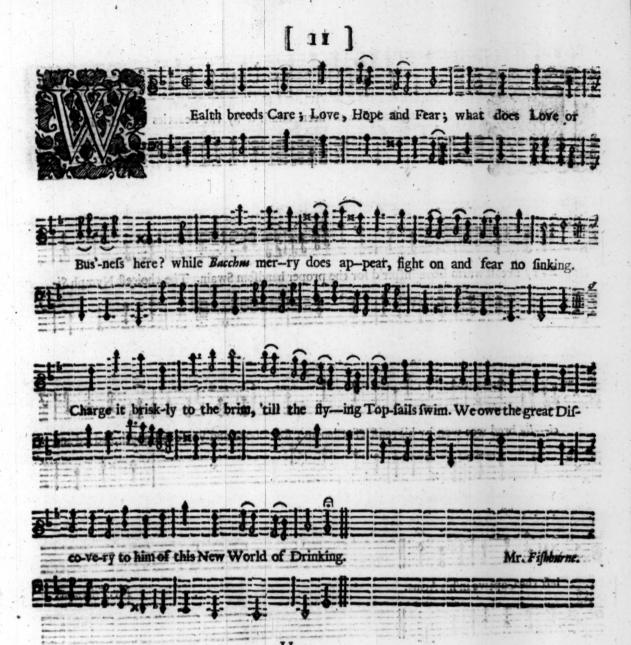


Love that's truly free had never Jealousie,
But artful Love may be
Both doubtful and wooing.
Ah! dear Shepherdes, ne're doubt, for you may guess
My Heart will prove no less
Than ever endless loving.
Then, cryes the Nymph, like the Sun thou shalt be,
And I, like the kind Earth, will produce all to thee,
Of ev'ry Flower in Love's Garden I'le Off'rings pay
To my Saint. Nay then pray
Take not those dear Eyes away.



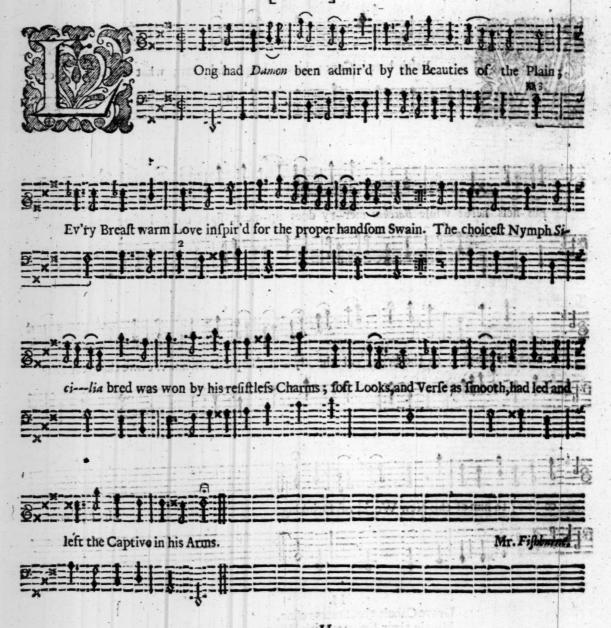
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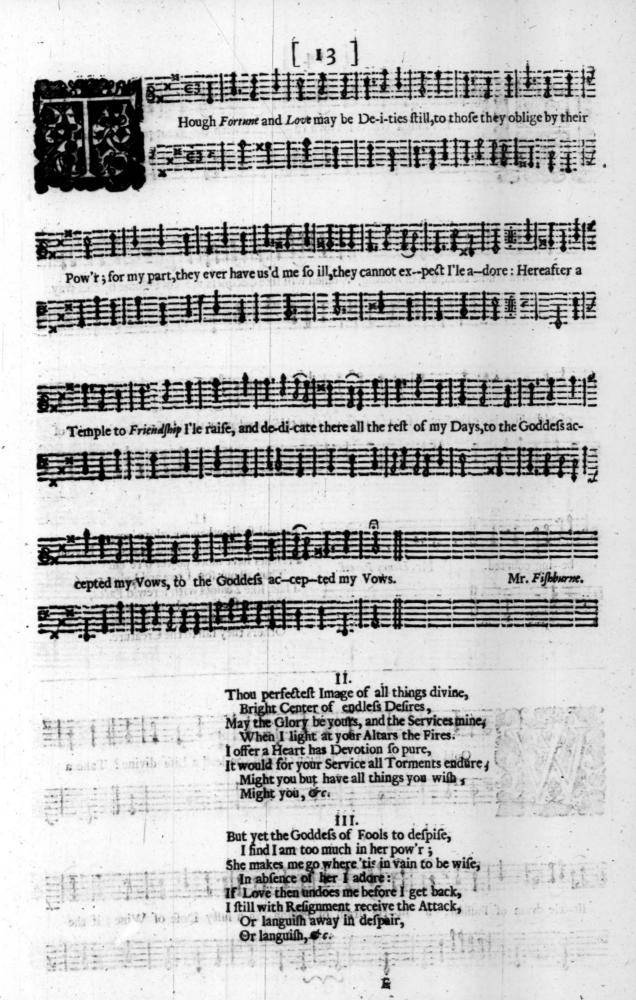
Grave Cabals that States refine,
Mingle their Debates with Wine;
Ceres and the Godo'th' Vine
Makes ev'ry great Commander.
Let fober Sots Small-beer fubdue,
The Wife and Valiant Wine does woe;
The Stagyrize had the honour to
Be drunk with Alexander.

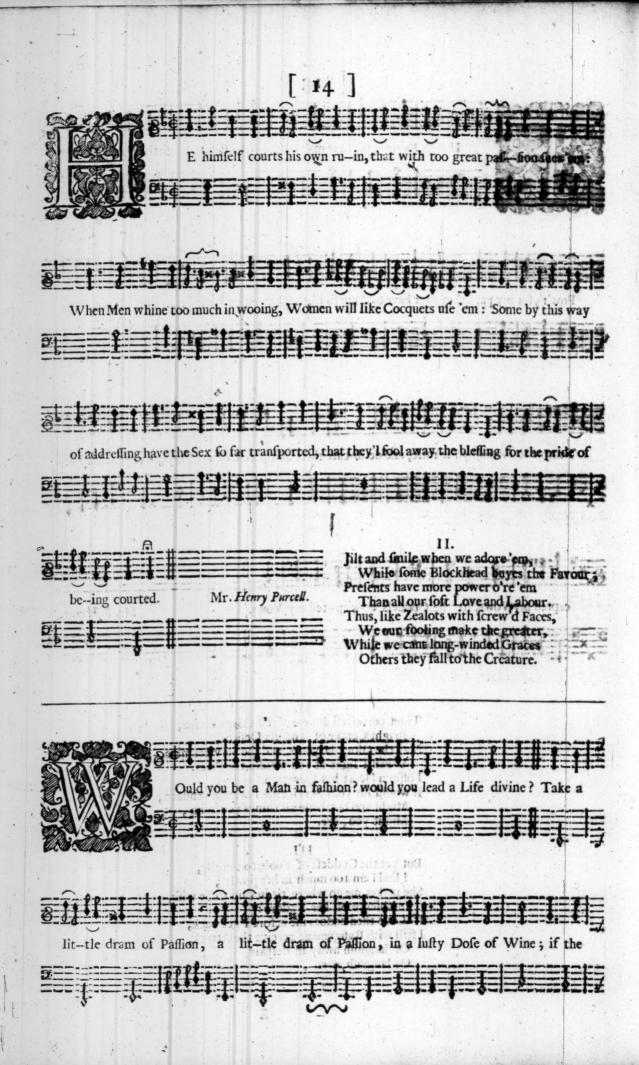
Stand to your Arms, and now advance
A Health to the English King of France;
On to the next, a bon sperance:
By Bacchus and Apollo
Thus in state I lead the Van,
Fall in your place by your right-hand Man:
Beat Drum! now March! Duba dub, ran dan:
He's a Whigg that will not follow.

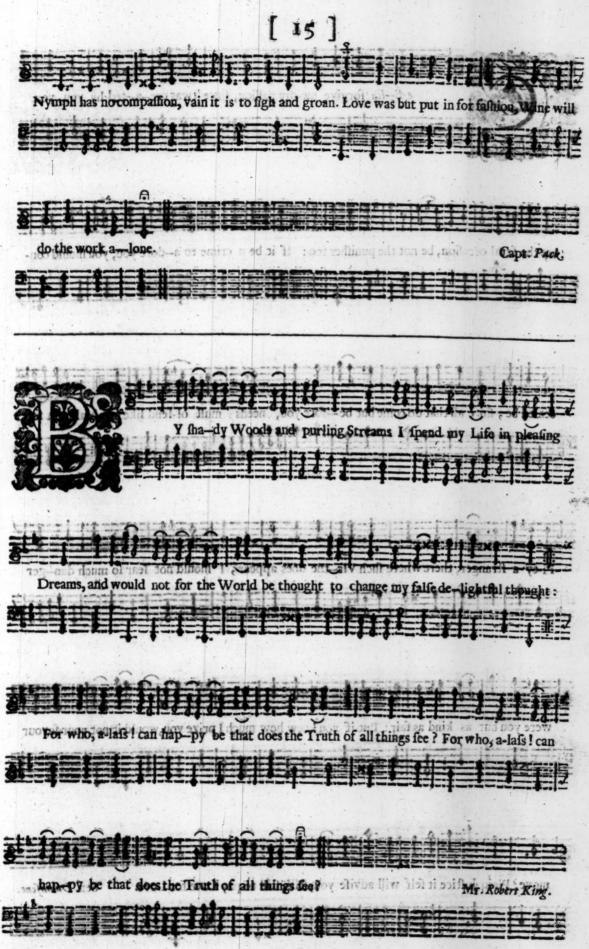


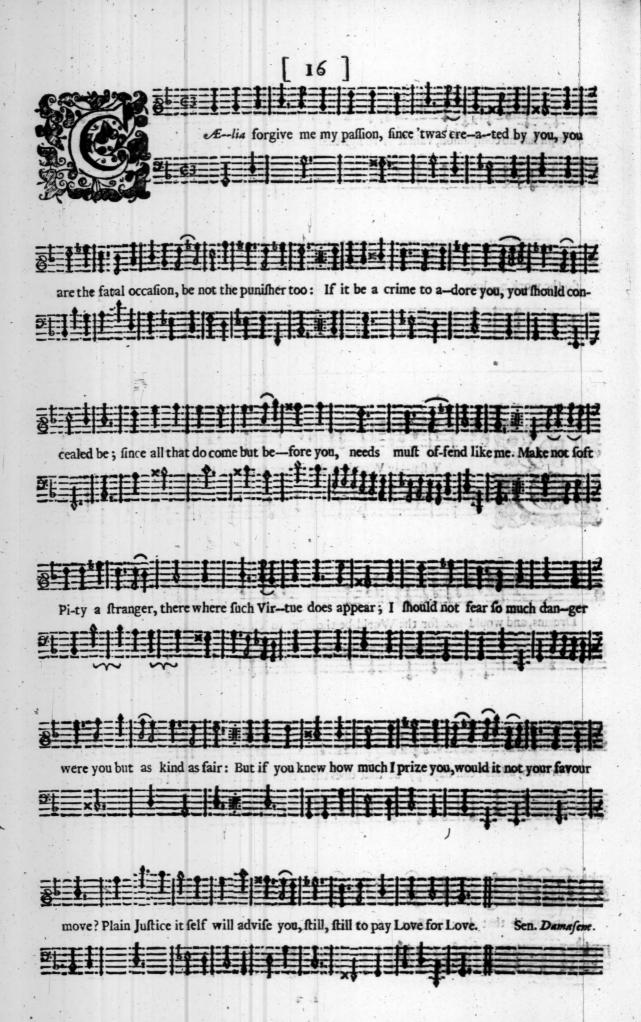
But our Damon's Soul afpires
To a Goddels of his Race,
Though he fues with chafter Fires,
This his Glories does deface.
The fatal News no fooner blown
In Whispers up the Chesnut Row,
The God Sylvanus with a Frown
Blasts all the Lawrels on his Brow.

Swains be wife, and check Defire
In its foaring, when you'l woo:
Damon may in Love require
Thestyles and Laura too.
When Shepherds too ambitious are,
And court Astrea on a Throne,
Like to the shooting of a Star
They fall, and thus their Shining's gone.

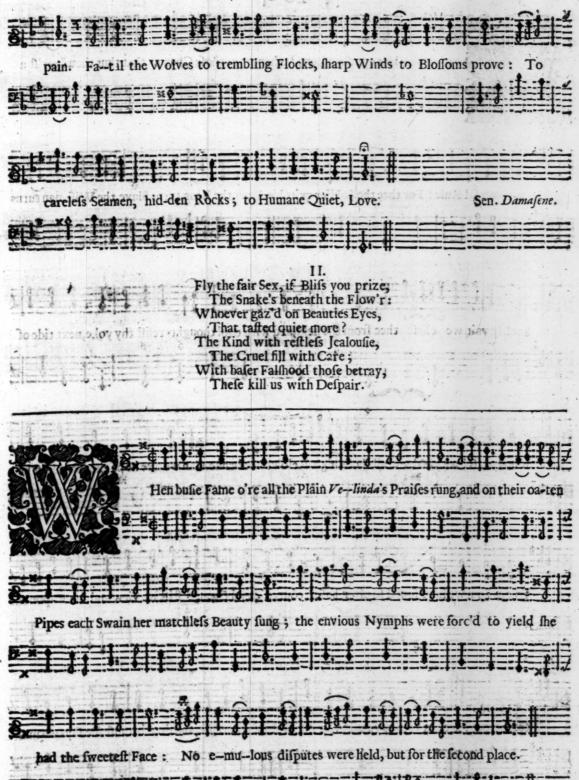






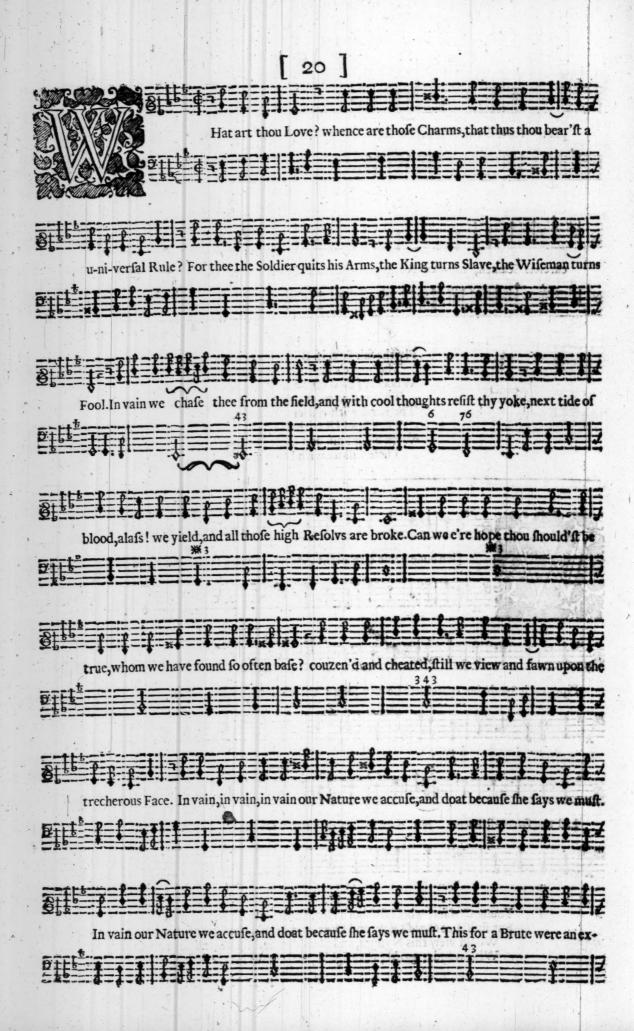


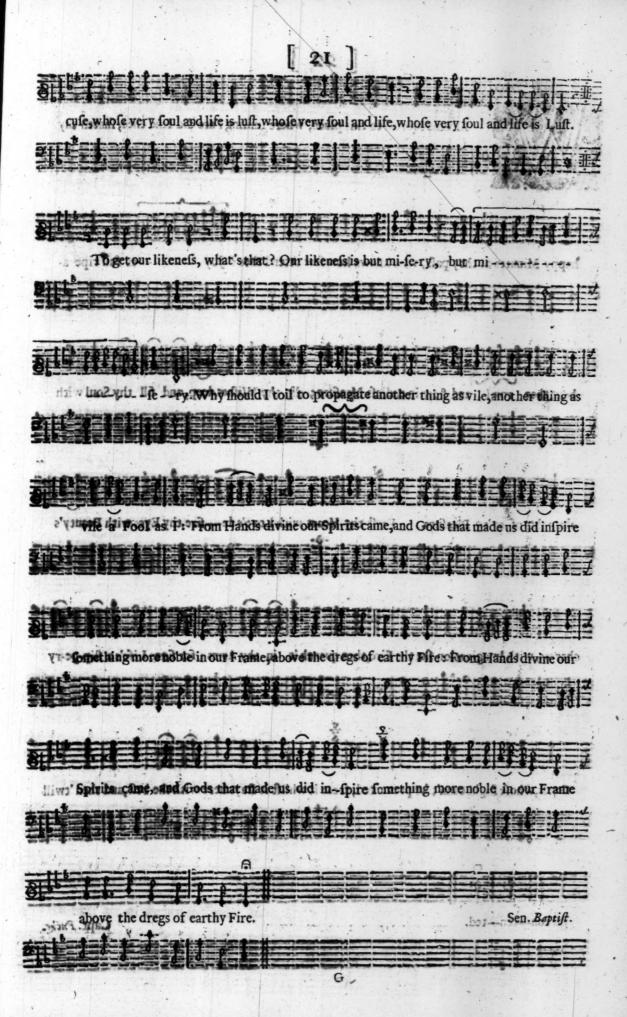


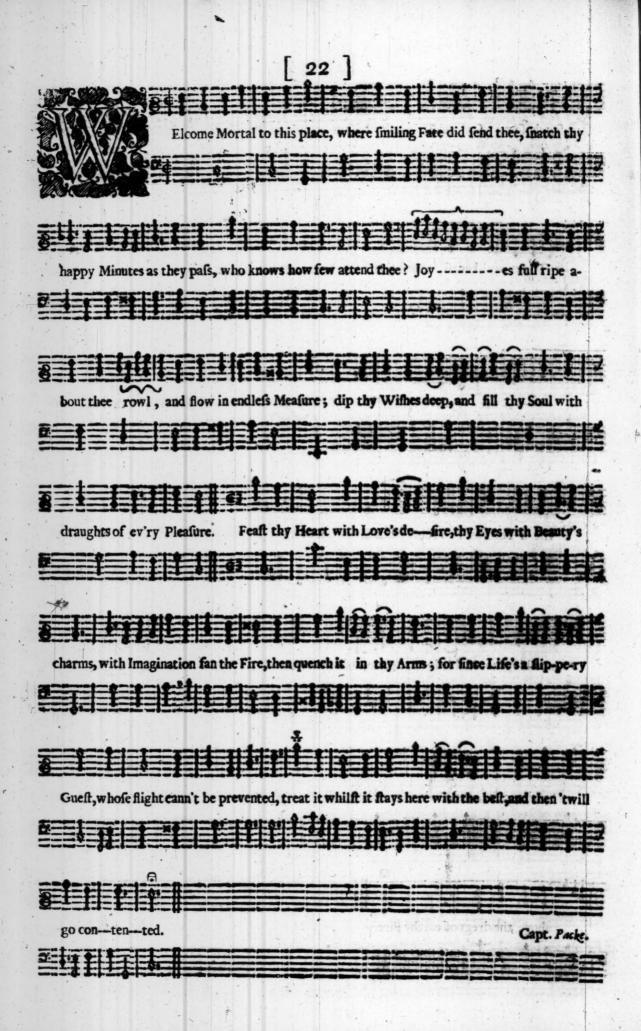


Young Coridon, whose stubborn Heart no Beauty e're could move,
But smil'd at Copid's Bow and Dart, and brav'd the God of Love,
Would view this Nymph, and pleas'd at first such silent Charms to see,
With wonder gaz'd, then sigh'd, and curs'd his Curiosity.

Mr. Tho. Earmer.





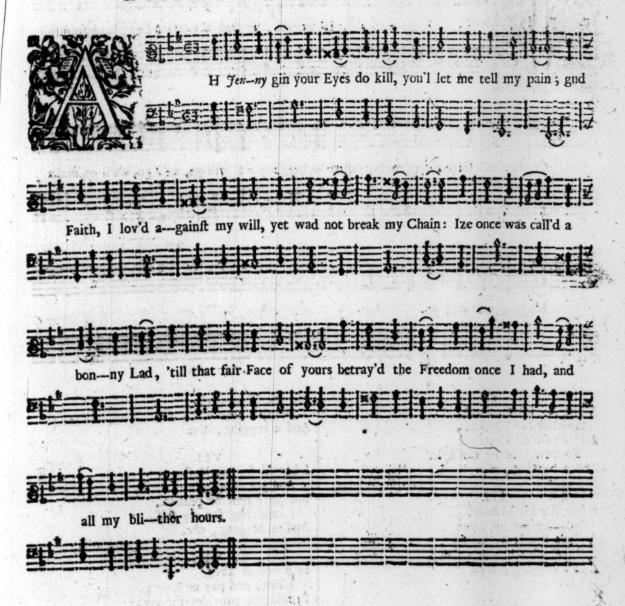






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## A Song in the CITY HEIRESSES.



ÌI.

And now wey's me, like Winter looks
My faded show'ring Eyn;
And on the Banks of shaded Brooks
I pass my wearied time:
Ize call the Streams that glideth on
To witness, if they see,
On all the brink they glide along,
So true a Swain as I.

I live in open Cell: . Then viso would be a

When the Beggers Live to well



A bag for his Qatmeal,
Another for his Salt;
And a pair of Crutches
To shew that he can halt.
And a begging, &c.

A bag for his Wheat,
Another for his Rye;
A little Bottle by his fide,
To drink when he's a-dry.
And a begging, &c.

IV.
To Pimblico we'll go,
Where we shall merry be;
With ev'ry Man a can in's hand,
And a Wench upon his Knee,
And a begging, &c.

And when we are dispos'd
To tumble on the Grass,
We'ave a long patch'd Coat
To hide a pretty Lass.
And a begging, &c.

Seven Years I begg'd For my old Master Wild, He taught me to beg When I was a Child. And a begging, &c.

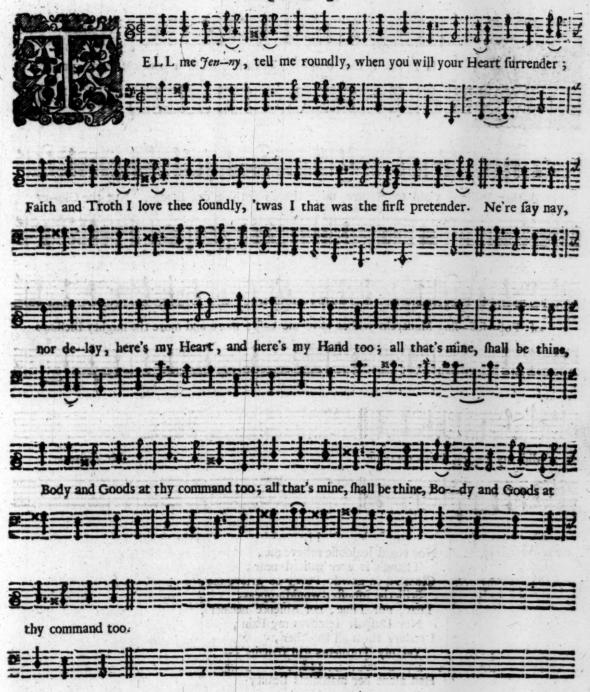
VII.

I begg'd for my Master,
And got him store of Peif;
But Jove now be praised,
I now beg for my felf.
And a begging, &c.

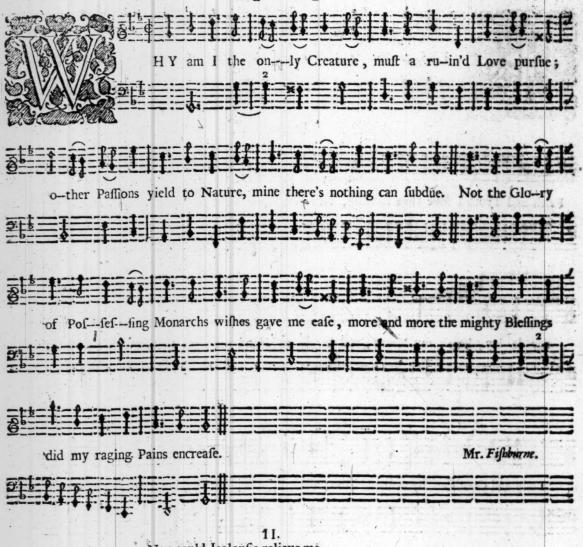
VIII.
In a hollow Tree
I live, and pay no Rent;
Providence provides for me,
And I am well content.
And a begging, &c.

Of all Occupations,
A Begger lives the best;
For when he is a weary,
He'll lye him down and rest.
And a begging, &c.

I fear no Plots against me,
I live in open Cell;
Then who would be a King,
When the Beggers live so well.
And a begging, &c.



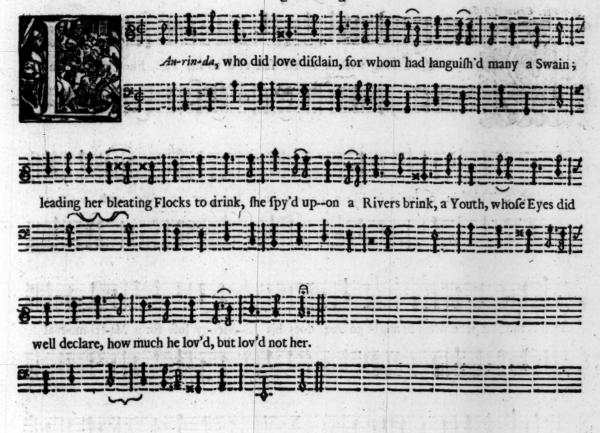
Ah! how many Maids, quoth Jenny,
Have you promis'd to be true to?
Fye! I think the Devil's in you,
To kis a body so as you do!
What d'ye? let me go,
I can't abide such foolish doing;
Get you gone, haughty Man,
Fye! is this your way of Wooing!



Nor could Jealousie relieve me,
Though it ever waited near;
Cloath'd in gawdy Pow'r to grieve me,
Still the Monster would appear:
That, nor Time, nor Absence neither,
Nor Despair removes my Pain;
I endure them all together,
Yet my Torments still remain.

Had alone her matchless Beauty
Set my amorous Heart on fire,
Age at last would do its duty,
Fuel ceasing, Flames expire.
But her Mind immortal grows,
Makes my Love immortal too;
Nature ne're created Faces,
Can the Charms of Souls undo.
I V.

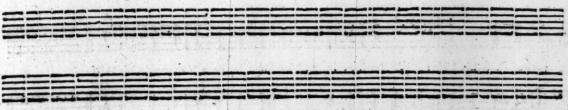
And to make my Loss the greater,
She laments it as her own;
Could she scorn me, I might hate her,
But alas! she shews me none.
Then since Fortune is my Ruine,
In Retirement I'le complain;
And in rage for my undoing,
Ne're come in its Power again.



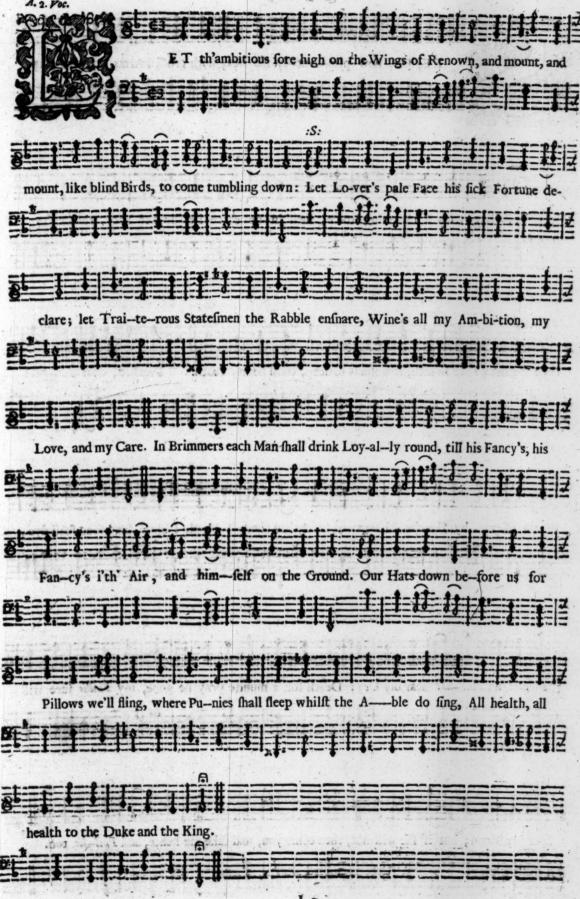
At first she laugh'd, but gaz'd a while, Which soon it lessen'd to a smile; Thence to surprise and wonder came, Her Breast to heave, her Heart to slame: Then cry'd she out, Ah! now I prove Thou art a God, most mighty Jove.

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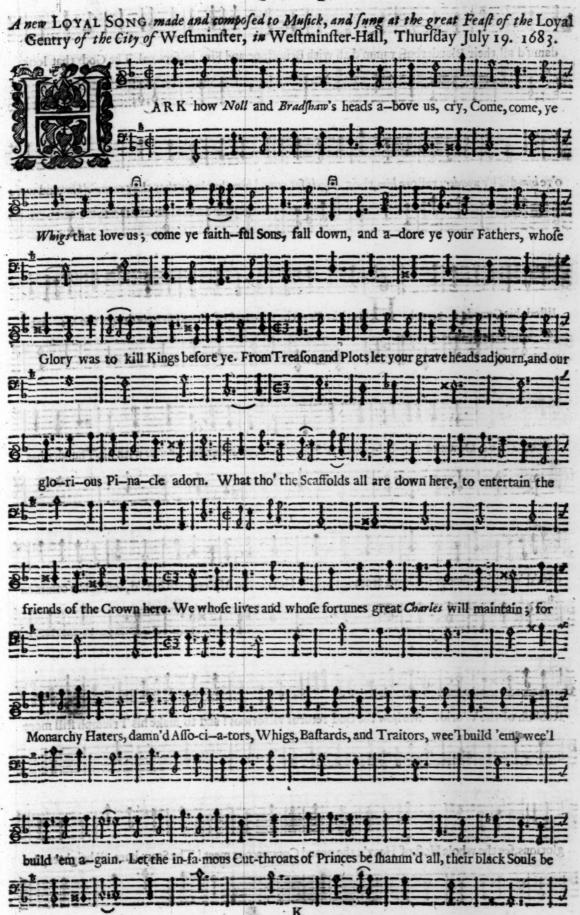
She would have spoke, but Shame deny'd, And bid her first consult her Pride; But soon she found that Aid was gone, For Jove, alas! had left her none: Ah! now she burns! but 'tis too late, For in his Eyes she reads her Fate.



rather than his Life; yet he lugs it, and he hugs it, as a Man would his Wife.

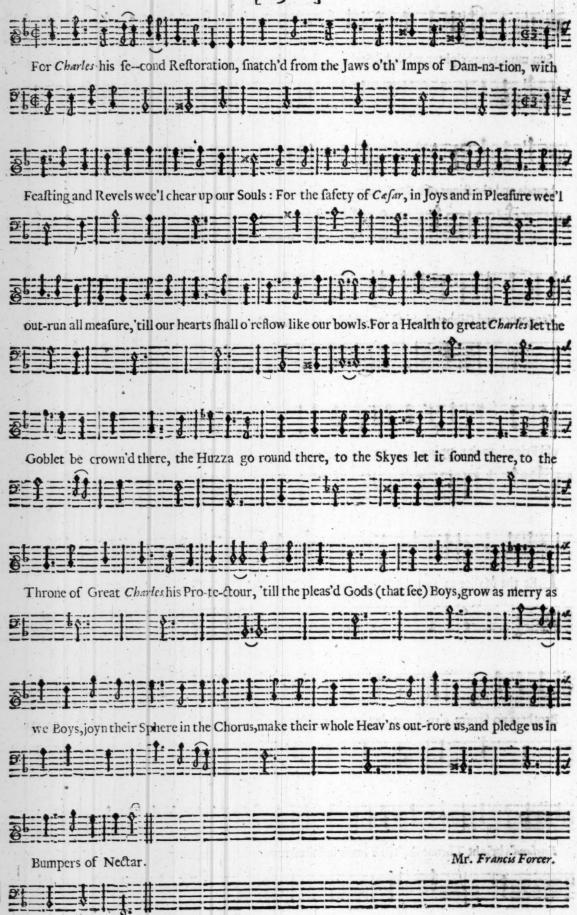


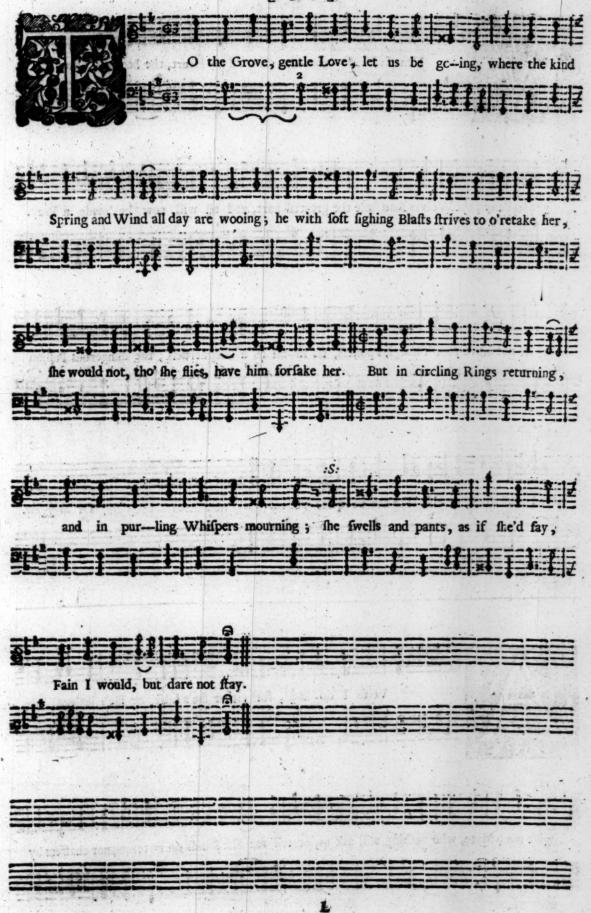


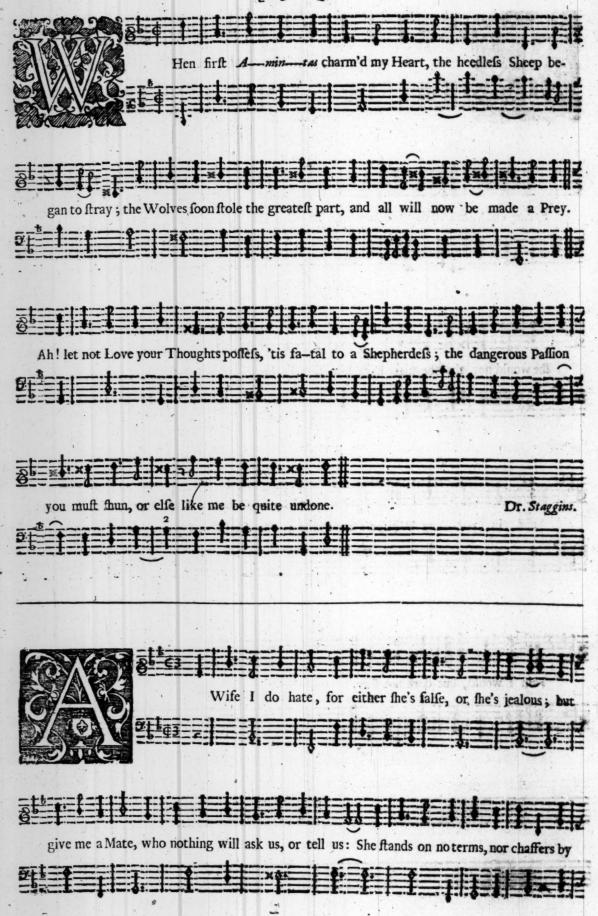


glorious, fee the whole Host of Heav'n the proud Conquerour meet! The Stars burn all brighter, the

[35] Sun mounts up-righter, while his Steeds gallop lighter, to fee, fee their Jove made fo great. With the brands and the stings of a Conscience disloyal, from the fi'-ry Trial let the coward Slaves fly all, leave Vengeance and Gibbets behind 'em, whilft the great Desperado's all turn Renegado's, with their old Friends took napping, in some Coal-hole at Wapping, shall CHARLES and his Justice find 'em. Et the Malice of fanatick Roundhead, hatch'd in Hell, be still confounded! May the Roy-al Brothers no Storm e're fever, but new wonders de-liver, and their Heirs reign for-ever; on England's bright Throne fit, 'till Time's last fand runs, and stop their Glories Char'ot with the Sun's!

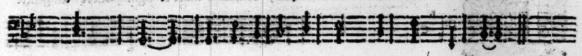








way of Indenture; or loves for the Farms, but takes the kind Man at a ven-ture.



Mr. Petham Humphreys.

If all prove not right, Without an Act, Process or warning, From Wife for a night, You may be divorc'd the next morning. Where Parents are Slaves, Their Brats cann't be any other.; Great Wits and great Braves Have always a Punk to their Mother.



So fweet and powerful a Grace, Make all Men lovers, but the Blind: Nor can you Freedom by relistance gain, For each embrace the fofter Chain, And never struggle with the pleasant Pain:



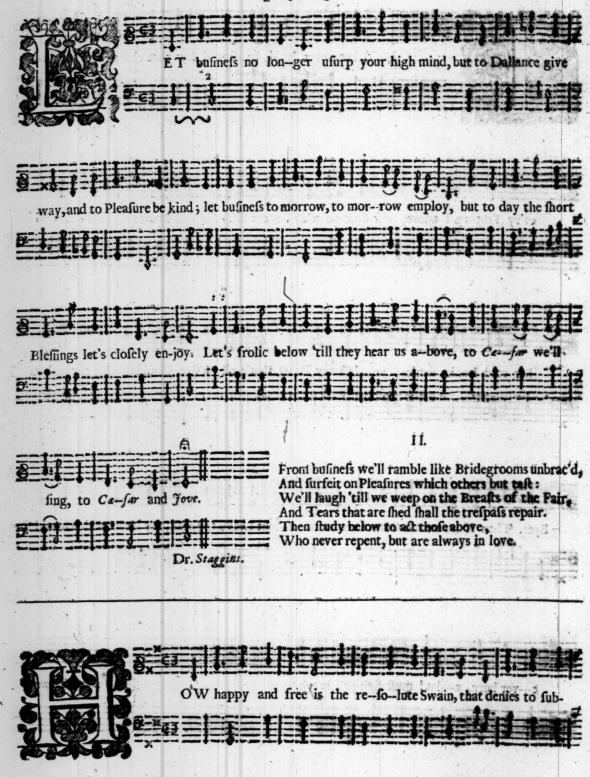
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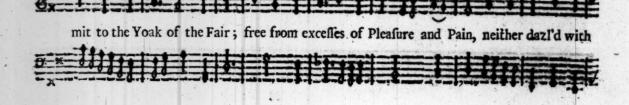
Then Calia no longer reserve the vain Pride, Of wronging thy self, to see others deny'd; If Love be a pleasure, alas! you will find, We both are not happy, when both are most kind. But Women, like Priests, do in others reprove, And call that thing Lust, which in them is but Love.

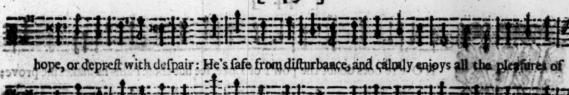
III.

What they through their madness and folly create, We poor filly Slaves still impute to our Fate; But in such Distempers where Love is the Grief, 'Tis Calia, not Heaven, must give us Relief. Then away with those Titles of Honour and Cause, Which first made us sin, by first giving us Laws.











Love, without Clamour and Noise.



Mr. Richard Croone.

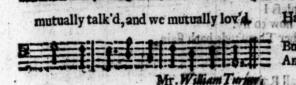
Poor Shepherds in vain their Affections reveal To a Nymph that is pecviff, proud, fullen, and coy; Vainly do Virgins their Paffions conceal,

For they boyl in their Grief'till themselves they destroy.

And thus the poor Darling lyes under a Curse,

To be check'd in the Womb, or o'relaid by the Nurse.





Groves for Unibrella's did kindly o'reshade us
From Phehm hot Rages, who like Envy had strove;
Had not kind Fate this Provision made us, (Love:
All the Nymphs of the Air would have envy'd our
But we stand below Envy, that ill-natur'd Fate,
And above cruel Scora is our happy Estate.





II.

That vigorous Climate shall I find
More mild than this I leave behind;
The Snowy Breast from which I part,
Her never-thawing Icy Heart,
Has still so inur'd me to Cold and Disdain,
That I never shall sear
The Storms that are there,
The North yields not half so much pain.

#### III.

But fince her Beauty has imprest
Her Image firmly in my Breast,
'Tis vain to leave her, unless I
From my own felf knew how to fly.
Yet fince in the West she her Thousands hath sain,
Her Empire shall be
Enlarged by me,
In the North Doralisa shall Raign.





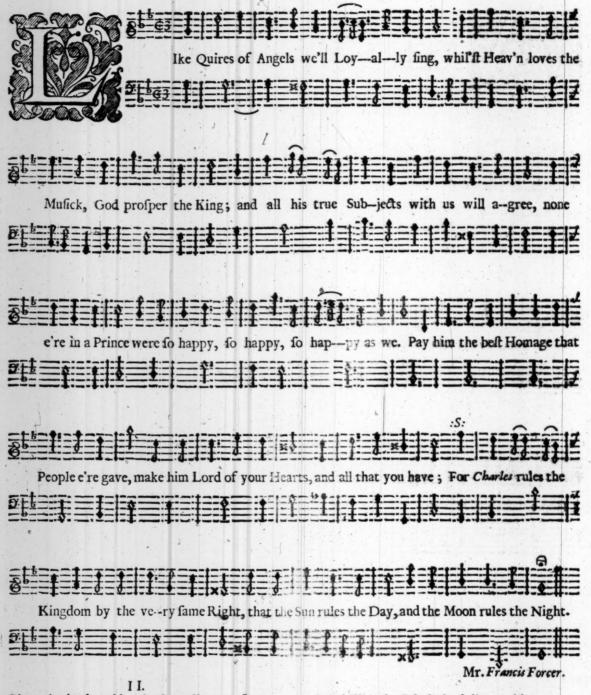
Tears lose their Virtue, when addrest,
To thaw her frozen Heart;
Tears dropp'd on Sylvia's Icy Breast,
To Chrystal strait convert.

Then gentle Strephon feek no more, What thou shalt never find; Thy fruitless Passion give o're, And love a Nymph more kind:

One that shall all thy Joys compleat,
And Happiness secure;
When both with equal Flame shall meet,
Such noble Loves endure.

[Sing these four Lines to the latter part of the Tune.]

# [ 46 ] A LOYAL Song.



Phanatics be damn'd, who Succession out-face, And tell us, Dominion is founded in Grace; With Julian and Plato, and all their Decrees, Who fet up new Princes when ever they please: But long live the King for to triumph o're those Who the Laws of the Crown or Land do oppose; And when our great Monarch to Heav'n must be gon, May the rightful Successor then fit on his Throne.

When Rebels their Oaths of Allegiance forfook, And Legions of Angels did guard them to Town:

And the' Whigs in Cabals do daily combine, The Birds of the Air will reveal the defign; And lawful Succession just Heav'n shall secure, As long as the Sun and the Moon do endure.

Bieff are the People, when Heav'n does Espouse The Cause of the King, and establish his House; No Cant of Phanatics, or Commonwealth Zeal, Can ever prevail by a Whiggish Appeal: But Charles must for ever the Scepter command, And did wait for the Blood of the King & the Duke; Which the Powers above have repos'd in his hand; The Stars in their Courses appear'd for the Crown, And we unto Heav'n will our Gratitude pay, (day. And make his whole Reign a long Thanksgiving-

# [ 47 ]

A new Song in the late reviv'd Play, call'd, Valentinian.





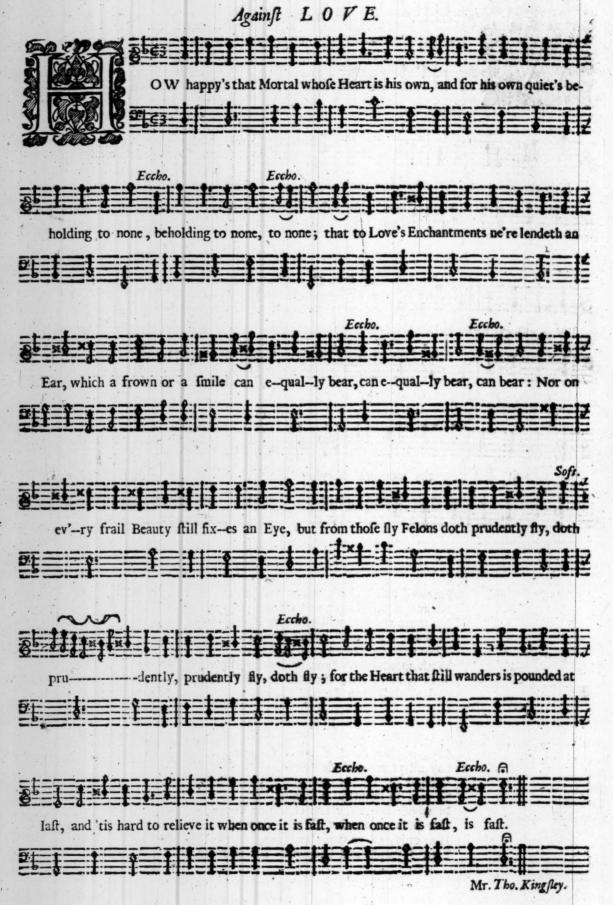


11.

Farewell to all that's bright and gay,
No more glad Light and chearing Day;
No more the Sun will gild our Plain,
'Till the loft Youth return again:
Then every pensive Heart that now
With mournful Willow shades his Brow,
Shall crown'd with chearful Garland's sing,
And all shall seem Eternal Spring.

#### III.

Say, mighty Pan! if you did know, Say all ye rural Gods below, 'Mongst all Youths that grac'd your Plain, So gay, so beautiful a Swain; In whose sweet Air and charming Voyce, Our list'ning Swains did all rejoyce; Him only, O ye Gods! restore, Your Nymphs and Shepherds ask no more.



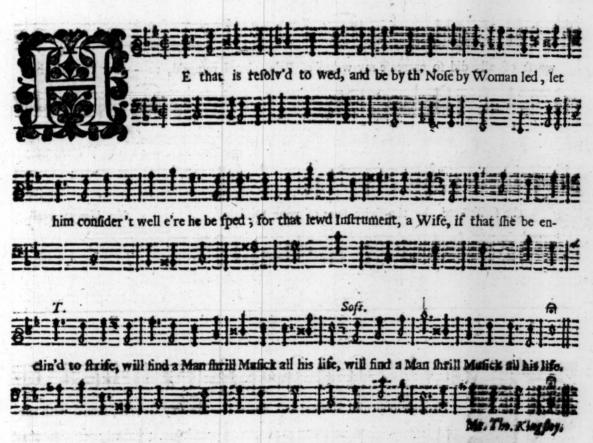
By sporting with Dangers still longer and longer, But with Gain to come off, and the Tyrant subdue, The Fetters and Chains of the Captive grow lives. Is an Art that is hitherto practised by few: He drills on his Evil, then curses his Fate; (ger; How easie is Freedom once had to me And bewails those Missortunes himself did create: But Liberty lost is as hard to regain. Like an empty Camelion he lives on the Air, And all the day lingers' twixt Hope and Despair: Like a Fly in the Candle he sports, and he games, 'Till, a Victim to Folly, he dies in the Flames.

If Love, fo much talk'd of, a Herefy be, Of all it enllaves, few true Converts we fee; If hectoring and huffing would once do the feat, For if Reason it seife on, and make it give to There's sew that would fail of a Vict'ry compleat: No labour can save, or relieve't any more.

(ger; How easie is Freedom once had to maintain;

This driv hing and fair ling, and chiming in parts, This whiting and pining, and breaking of Hearts; All pensive and filent in corner to fit, Are pretty fine Pastimes for those that want wit: When this Passion in fashion doth so far abuse 'em, It were good the State should for Pendulums use em : For if Reason it seife on, and make it give o're,

### On MARRIAGE.



If he approach her when she's vext, Nearer than the Parson does his Text, He's fure to have enough of what comes next; and by our Grammar Rules we fee, Two different Genders can't agree, Nor without Solecisms connected be. : []:

Yet this by none can be denied. That Wedlock, or 'tis much belied, is a good School, in which Man's Verse's tried!
And this convenience Woman brings, That when her angry mood begins,
The Husband never wants a fight of's Sins. : ||:

If he by chance offend the leaft. His Permance shall be well encreast, She'll make him keep a Vigil without a Vesit: And when's Confession he is framing, She will not fail to make's Examen, He has nothing else to do, but to lay Amen.



fighs of un-fuc-cess-ful Loves, wild with Despair young Thirsis strays; thinks

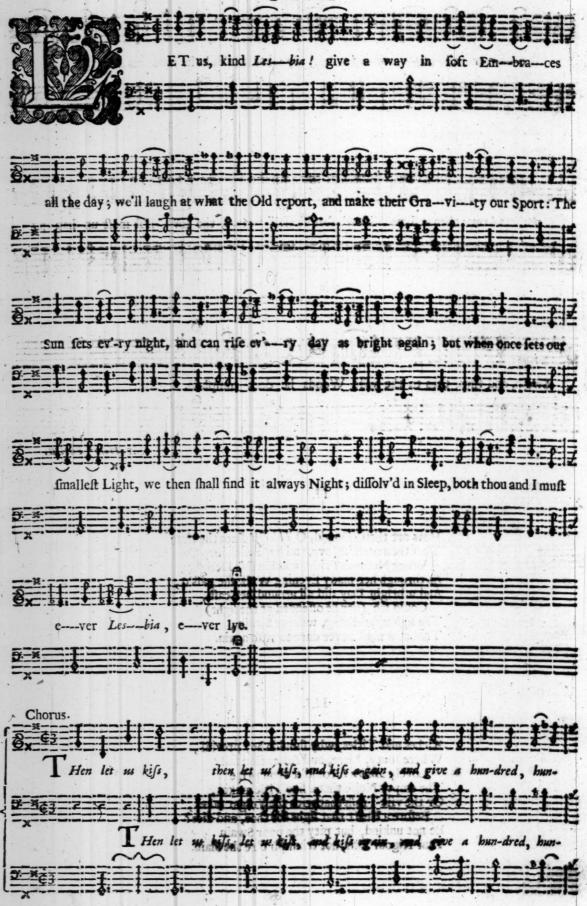


II.

How art thou chang'd, O Thirfis! fince the time
That thou could'st love, and hope without a Crime;
When Nature's Pride, and Earth's Delight,
As through her shady Evening Walk she pass'd,
And a bright Day did all around her cast,
Could see (nor be offended at the sight)
The sighing, melting, wishing Swain,
That now must never dare to wish again.

III.

Riches and Titles, why should they prevail, Where Duty, Love, and Adoration fail?
Lovely Amira! could'st thou prize
The empty Noise that a sine Title makes,
Or the vile Trash that with the Vulgar takes,
Before a Heart that sighs for thee, and dies?
Be not unkind, but pity the poor Swain
Your Rigour kills, not triumph o're the Slain.



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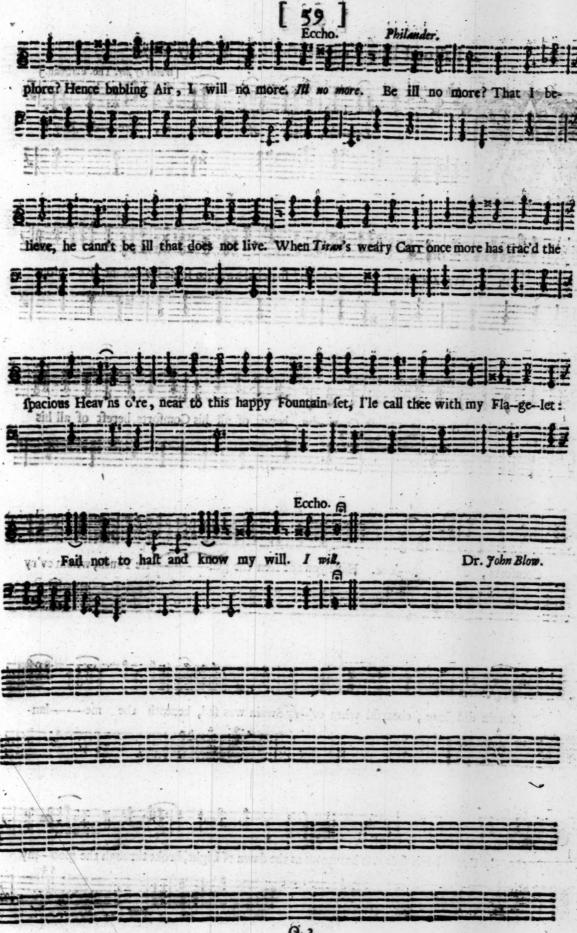
11.

But when the woful circumstance
Proclaims the Conquest sure,
Too late you'l curse the fatal Chance,
Too soon th'effect endure:
I that once thought my felf her Care,
Now hopeless must complain;
Learn therefore, learn to shun the Snare,
By thinking on my Pain.

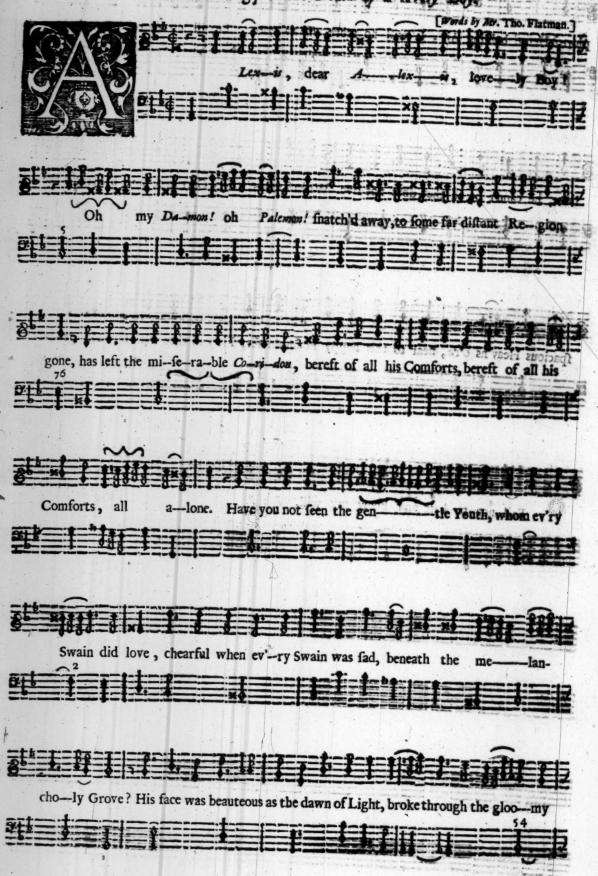
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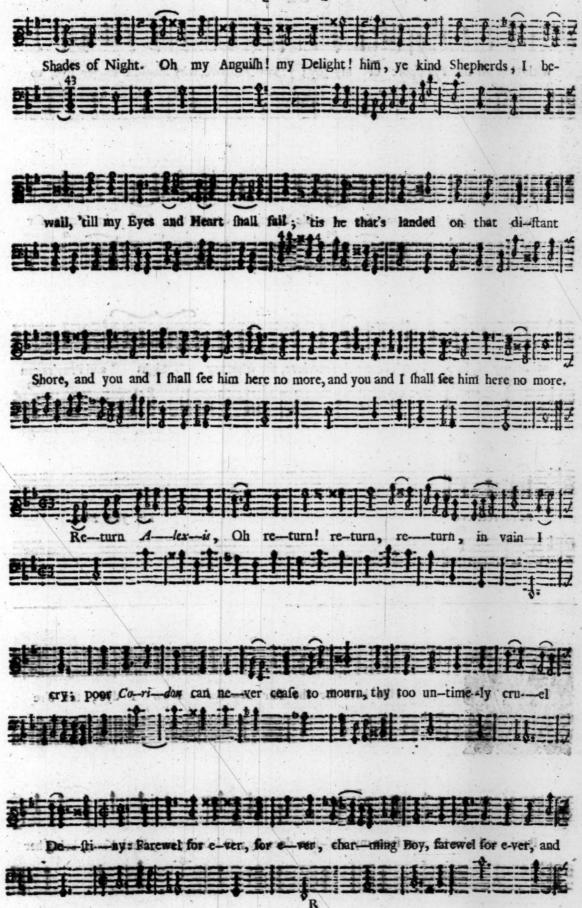
A Dialogue between PHILANDER and the Eccho. Language thou can'ft play; the last of my Discourse retort, Love, once thy grief, is now thy Sport. Thy food My speet, fair Nymph? no, 'ris my pain, to love, and not find love a Eccho. gain. Love again! Cru-el! thus to encrease my Care, is Love a Cordial for De-Eccho. ir. Love or Despair! what dost thou mean, would'ft have me fuf-fer Philander . gain. And what reward thall I e're find? will fair Clarif-





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